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TO : Chief, Operations School

VIA : Chief, Headquarters Training

FROM : Chief Instructor, Counterintelligence
Operations Course

DATE: 20 January 1960

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SUBJECT: Final Course Report - Special Counterintelligence Course
for Students Attending the Special Investigations School
(SIS) of the Office of Special Investigations (OSI),
United States Air Force (4 - 14 January 1960)

1. Synopsis: The special counterintelligence course for students attending the Special Investigations School (SIS) of the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), United States Air Force, ended on Thursday, 14 January. This course was prepared at the request of General Cabell, who had earlier agreed with General John Breit to help OSI increase its competence in the

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in the course as guest speakers. [REDACTED] of PP Staff served as one of our guest panelists on countersabotage. Twenty students successfully completed the course.

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2. Student Performance: The students participated actively in class discussions and showed by their questions and by their resolution of assigned problems an excellent grasp of operational principles. Each student performed well on a name check problem, and twelve students who presented assigned case analyses orally did an excellent job.

3. Course Critique: Although no written critiques were prepared by the class, oral comments by students and SIS faculty personnel showed their appreciation of the instruction.

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a. Lectures: The great majority of our guest speakers performed very well. [REDACTED] was singled out by students and faculty for its excellent organization, scope and content. I agree with their high opinion of John's presentation. It was the best I have heard in three years of training work in counterintelligence. [REDACTED] were also very effective in their lectures on agent recruitment and management. However, in the opinion of many students, [REDACTED] talk on agent spotting and selection lacked organization, although it showed an understanding and grasp of the subject.

b. Name Check Problem: Students and faculty expressed great satisfaction with the name check problem which OSI instructors had prepared at my direction. I was informed by Major John Adams and Captain William Hendrix that they plan to use this problem in other SIS courses.

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c. Case Analyses: The students showed high interest in an assignment to prepare analyses of assigned cases, and those students selected to present their cases orally did excellent jobs. The faculty intends to use this training device in the future and recorded each presentation to serve as a guide for instructors.

4. Conclusions: The course successfully achieved its objectives. In discussing its future, Captain Hendrix, Lt. Col. Burnice Prater and Major Adams stressed the importance of scheduling speakers with operational experience to give a majority of the lectures. They argued that their own personnel did not have sufficient knowledge of clandestine operations to give every talk. However, I did not commit myself or the Office of Training to future runnings of the course. I did suggest that they put their training requests in writing and forward them to the Director of Central Intelligence, attention Director of Training.

5. I have attached a list of student names and military grades.

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